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and many others in the United States and around the globe!!!

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The following advisory is not necessarily for broadcast. This is just a reminder that the address for the Newsline Support Fund is Newsline, in care of Andy Jarema N-6-T-C-Q, Post Office Box 6-6-0-9-3-7, Arcadia California, our Zipcode is 9-1-0-6-6. Again, and as always, we thank you.

This ends the closed circuit with Newsline report number for release on Friday, June 9, 1995 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A rescue on the high seas, a tower case loss in Florida and more findings on the possible relationship between radio waves and cancer. A new study says there seems to be no connection -- maybe. Find out more on Newsline report number 930 coming your way right now!

RESCUE AT SEA

Amateur Radio has once again been a life saver on the high sea. The crew of a vessel in distress are alive only because of the quick response to their call for help heard by a Canadian ham.

The crew of a yacht that nearly sank off the Mendocino

coast is safe and back on dry land. This, thanks to a Ham radio operator in Canada who picked up their distress signal when Coast Guard officials nearby could not.

The 36 foot ketch lost its rudder and was drifting helplessly in 24 foot waves off Point Arena Thursday June 1st when Doug Burrows in Alberta heard their faint mayday calls on his radio. Burrows called the U.S. Coast Guard in San Francisco, which dispatched a cutter and helicopter. The three crew members, who stayed with their boat, arrived at the Coast Guard Station Golden Gate the following day. The yacht was towed in by a Coast Guard patrol boat.

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BOWERS vs. FLORIDA

The final chapter in the antenna and tower battle of WA4SNT and N4XLF versus their neighbors appears to have been written and the neighbors have been victorious. W5YI reports that a final ruling from Florida's Forth District Court of Appeals that says that the transmissions of electronic apparatus in the possession of David and Sharon Bowers may not interfere with neighbors electronic devices.

As previously reported, the Bowers had appealed to the American Radio Relay League to take on their tower fight, but the league turned down their request. In a letter to amateurs who had written asking for ARRL intervention the League noted the court had found that the residents of the Bowers community had mutually agreed not to annoy one another. That the Bowers installation of their eighty seven foot tower and subsequent operation had violated this agreement.

Even the FCC which had come to the aid of Mark Nadel, NK2T in his battle with a Long Island New York community turned down the Bowers. Writing at the request of U.S. Senator Bob Graham, the FCC's General Council William Kennard responded by noting that the commission did not believe the Bowers case to be appropriate for FCC to intervene. Probably because it is an issue dealing with deed restrictions over which no regulatory agency seems to have any jurisdiction.

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ARRL DIRECTOR AB8P RESIGNS

Citing poor health, Al Severson, AB8P, has resigned as ARRL Great Lakes Division Director. Severson's resignation became effective on June 5th. Vice Director George Race, WB8BGY, will fill out the remainder of Director Severson's unexpired term.

Severson, who is still recuperating from a prolonged illness, said that the only reason he resigned was his feeling that his

division needs a vital and active member running it. He has served as an ARRL director since January of 1990, and, before that, as Great Lakes vice director.

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EMF AND CANCER

The Council of the American Physical Society has issued the results of a study titled Power Line Fields and Public Health, a study concerning the potential dangers of cancer from electromagnetic fields that emanate from common power lines and electrical appliances. The APS concludes that the scientific literature and the reports of reviews by other panels show no consistent, significant link between cancer and power line fields.

The report acknowledges that it is impossible to prove that no deleterious health effects occur from exposure to any environmental factor. That it is necessary to demonstrate a consistent, significant, and causal relationship before it can conclude that such effects do occur. From this standpoint, says the group, the conjectures relating cancer to power line fields have not been scientifically substantiated.

The APS says that billions of dollars are being spent by states and municipalities to mitigate and litigate this perceived problem. It adds that the burden of cost placed on the American public is incommensurate with the risk.

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POPCOM CHANGE

Some major changes have taken place at the very popular, Popular Communications magazine. This with word that Chuck Gysi, N2DUP has replaced Tom Kneitel, K2AES as editor of Popular Communications magazine.

According to a press release from Publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, Kneitel cited personal reasons for his departure from the day to day rigors of operating the magazine. He will remain with Popular Communications in the newly created position of Senior Editor under Gysi.

Ross says that Kneitel has been the soul of the magazine since it was first conjured up in his living room in the Summer of 1982. The first issue was dated September 1982, and bore a cover photo shot by Ross in the Kneitel family dining room.

Chuck Gysi has served as a contributing editor on scanning topics since shortly after the magazine's inception and has been a professional journalist for 21 years. Most recently he served as news editor of a daily newspaper in the Midwest. He has been writing articles on radio since his days in junior high school and

has served as editor of several radio organizations' journals.

Like Kneitel, Gysi also has an extensive knowledge of and interest in the various aspects of the radio hobby.

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HACKER ATTACK

Two reporters who wrote a book on computer hacker gangs have become targets of alleged cyberspace pranksters.

Joshua Quittner and his wife Michelle Slatalla, both reporters for the New York City newspaper Newsday also wrote "Masters of Deception: The Gang that Ruled Cyberspace." The hacker attack began last Thanksgiving when Quittner received three e-mail messages from a group calling itself the "Internet Liberation Front." The text of the message was very chilling. It read: "Death to all corporations on the Net."

After his phone didn't ring for two days, the Quittners learned that people calling their home were being greeted by a string of obscenities. The hackers also sent 35 megabytes of information to his e-mail address.

Quittner said he had no idea why he was targeted. When asked who the culprits may be, newsman Quittner told Newsday that ten names immediately spring to his mind.

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NEW FCC HANDOUT ON HAM RADIO

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has produced a new "fact sheet" on the Amateur Radio Service. Its designated as publication PR-5000, Number 210 and tells the public about ham radio from the Commissions point of view.

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MEDAL WINNER

U.S. Navy Vice Admiral Scott Redd, K0DQ, has received the Department of Defense Distinguished Service Medal for his role in Operation United Shield. This in relation to the withdrawal of 8000 United Nations forces from Somalia.

Redd, 50, is commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command in the Arabian Gulf. He is licensed in Bahrain as A92Q.

The Distinguished Service Medal is the highest honor given in peacetime.

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800 NUMBER CHARGES

If you've always thought of 800 numbers as totally toll-free,

be aware that there are some now that aren't. NZ9E says via packet that a recent "innovation" in the telecommunications industry is the "chargeable 800 number."

Since most people tend to think that an 800 number is free to the caller, the fact that many of these calls are now chargeable may be a surprise. In fact, I've heard that some people have encountered charges for these calls at 10 times the normal rate.

NZ9E says that if you are quoted a rate or charge figure for an 800 number call, hang up immediately or you're likely to be liable for the charges. True 800 numbers still cost you nothing, but be forewarned that everything is not always what it seems to be today.

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WOODPECKERS DELAY SAREX STS-70

SAREX Space Shuttle flight STS-70 has been delayed due to woodpeckers pecking holes in the shuttle.

No folks, we are not making this up. Mission managers have decided to repair damage done by woodpeckers in the foam insulation of the external fuel tank. The repairs will be done at the shuttle Vehicle Assembly Building. This means Shuttle Discovery has been removed from the launch pad and the mission tentatively rescheduled for sometime in August. Flight STS-71, which will also carry the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment, is still scheduled for no earlier than June 22.

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PANSAT

PANSAT is the acronym for Petite Amateur Navy Satellite which is a small, spread-spectrum communication satellite developed by the Naval Postgraduate School as an educational project for officer students. It will be what's called a tumbling spacecraft with a weight of 150 pounds to be completed in 1996 and will most likely be launched from the Space Shuttle by means of the HitchHiker program.

The launch will place PANSAT in a Low Earth Orbit with an inclination of at least 28 degrees. The spacecraft will supply direct-sequence, spread-spectrum modulation with an operating center frequency of 436.5 MHz, a bit rate of 9600 bits per second and 4 megabytes of message storage. Amateur radio ground stations will be able to utilize PANSAT for store and forward communication.

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HAM RADIO AND MORE

Ham Radio and More is now on shortwave. The weekly ham radio talk show began airing on WWCN, tape delayed twice per week on June 5th.

Ham Radio and More airs on WWCN each Monday at 3:00am Eastern Time on 7 dot 435 MHz and again every Saturday at 5:00pm Eastern on 12 dot 160 MHz.

The show is produced and hosted by Len Winkler, KB7LPW.

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DX

In DX, Monk Apollo, SV2ASP from the monastery at Mount Athos writes that he is not QRV on CW mode. QSO's and QSL's for contacts with SV2ASP/A on CW from January 1st to the present won't count.

Also, look for a special operation on the road so as to speak. Newsline correspondent Linda Reader, N7HVF reports that Sister Alverna O'Loughlin, WA0SGJ, of the Handi Hams will be traveling from Minnesota to Alaska and operating on the 40 and 20 meter bands. Listen for her on 7.2685 Mhz and QSL as directed.

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OMIK CONVENTION

Two upcoming events to report on. First the 43rd annual convention of the Omik Electronics Communications Association, Inc. will be held at the Richmond Omni Hotel in Richmond, Virginia from July 12th to the 15th. The event will feature technical sessions, license testing, scholarship awards, entertainment and much more. Contact WQ6I at Post Office Box 639 Claremont, California 91711 for registration and other information.

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10-10 CONVENTION

Also the fifth biennial convention of Ten-Ten International Net, Inc. will meet in Tuscaloosa, Alabama on the 16th and 17th of June, 1995, at the Capstone Sheraton Bear Bryant conference center. Information is still available from K4CIH - 4901 15th Place East Tuscaloosa, AL 35404. Even faster over the internet to K4CIH@AOL.COM.

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YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

And finally, a reminder that the nominating period for the 1995 Young Ham of the Year award closes on June 30. That's about two weeks from now. If you are one of those who requested a nominating form but have not returned it along with the necessary information on your nominee, please consider doing just that right now. This is because the judging committee will be scattered across the U.S.A. and each nominating package must be duplicated so that each person judging has the same information.

The Young Ham of the Year award is open to United States licensed amateur radio operators age 18 or younger who have made significant contributions to the nation, their community or the state of the art in Amateur Radio. Nominating forms are available by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award, in care of Newsline at 28197 Robin Avenue, in Saugus California 91350. Or you can download the form from the ham radio files area on GEnie or America Online.

The youngster selected as 1995 Young Ham of the Year will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest courtesy of Yaesu U.S.A. along with a tour of the Marshall Spaceflight Center and Spacecamp Huntsville thanks to CQ magazine.

Again, the cutoff date for nominating a youngster for the 1995 Young Ham of the Year Award is midnight on June 30th. If you know a young ham worthy of this honor, now is the time to let Newsline know who he or she is.

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And for this week, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline. You can write to us at:

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